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Mr. Grant read an interesting paper on the subject of Lighthouses to a good attendance at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong last night. He said that the nineteenth century had been one grand triumphal march in the progress of lighthouse building, engineering and systems of illumination. The necessity of marking some prominent position to indicate rocks and reefs made the selection of sites for lighthouses a difficult problem. Lighthouses built on rocks at sea required the greatest patience and engineering skill and were justly regarded as evidences of man's triumph over nature. The average wind pressure against lighthouses during summer was 611 lbs. per square foot, rising in winter to an average of 2,066 lbs. per square foot. To reduce the effects of wave force lighthouses were of special shape and construction. Mr. Grant described in lucid detail the characteristics of some of the most famous lights.

Coming nearer "home," he remarked that there were many examples of difficult work performed under trying circumstances on the China coast such as at Gap Rock and Tanton. The difficulty of landing stores, provisions and materials was always great and at times dangerous. Pei-yu-shan, which was one of the finest examples of a lighthouse in the form of a light-house, was erected under very trying conditions during the China-Japan war, the island lying at a considerable distance from any anchorage and communication being interrupted owing to the trouble.

Tungyang light was also a difficult work, a road having to be cut out of the hill and a large gully bridged. After many months of trying labour the engineers were looking forward to the completion of their work when a severe typhoon wrecked everything. Again they tackled the task and finally had the satisfaction of seeing it completed. This he cited as an instance of science and perseverance overcoming the problems which nature imposes upon man. Mr. Grant related how cutting reefs and channels in the estuaries of large rivers had been effected by floating lights, in the form of lightships and gas-lighted buoys. Accidents frequently happened to the latter in Chinese waters owing to the careless navigation of junk and fishing boats. "Toed" was the only suitable coloured light to use for marking danger. Mr. Grant spoke of the wonderful invention of the electric apparatus which, he said, had given new life to improvements in light-house construction. In conclusion the lecturer said that automatic signalling was being given a fair trial and he had no doubt as to the great benefits to be ultimately derived from its use.

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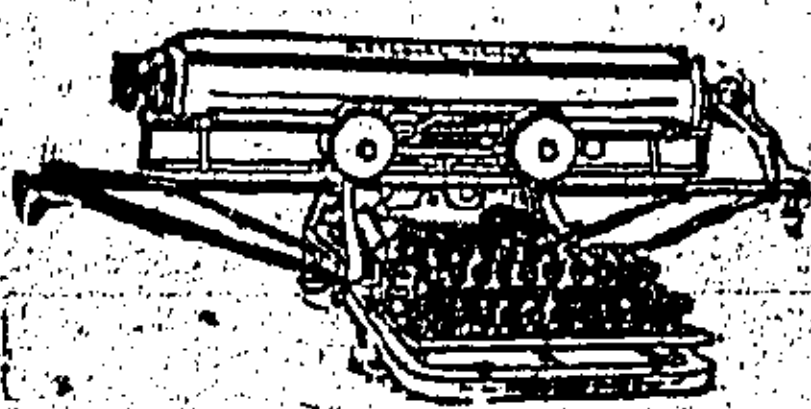
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SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, February 5.

LIBERAL LANDSCAPE IN SCOTLAND.

Two years ago, Mr. McKinnon Wood was returned for the St. Rollox Division of Glasgow by a majority of 3198; fourteen months ago, this figure fell to 1917; and now, on his appointment to be Secretary for Scotland, he is only able to get a surplus of 469. The poll in these three elections was practically the same, so that the totals represent a very large shifting of votes.

St. Rollox does not stand alone in the movement of opinion. In all the four Scottish by-elections that have taken place this winter, the same thing has happened—the Liberal vote has fallen and the Unionist vote increased. But the special importance of the St. Rollox result lies in the fact that it is an industrial community. The chief architectural feature of the Division is a chimney stack. The fight took place over the Insurance Act and Home Rule; and our new Scottish Secretary owes his return to the support of 1800 Irish Nationalists.

The organisers of the Nationalist vote are "cursing Lloyd George up hill and down dale," but the dissatisfaction is not confined to the Irishmen. The *Glasgow Herald* reports an interesting little incident. Two Glasgow Liberals were discussing the St. Rollox verdict in a taxiway car on the morning after the poll. "Bad this, very bad," said one; "a Cabinet Minister, too; I suppose there is no doubt it is Lloyd George's legislation." "I suppose so," was the reply. "There is nothing wrong with his legislation; but he has given us enough in about six months to last us for seven years."

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"Be continually with a godly man, whom thou knowest to keep the commandments of the Lord, whose mind, is according to thy mind, and will sorrow with thee; if thou shalt miscarry." And let the counsel of thine own heart stand for there is no man more faithful unto thee than I. For a man's mind is sometimes wont to tell him more than seven watchmen, that sit above in an high tower."

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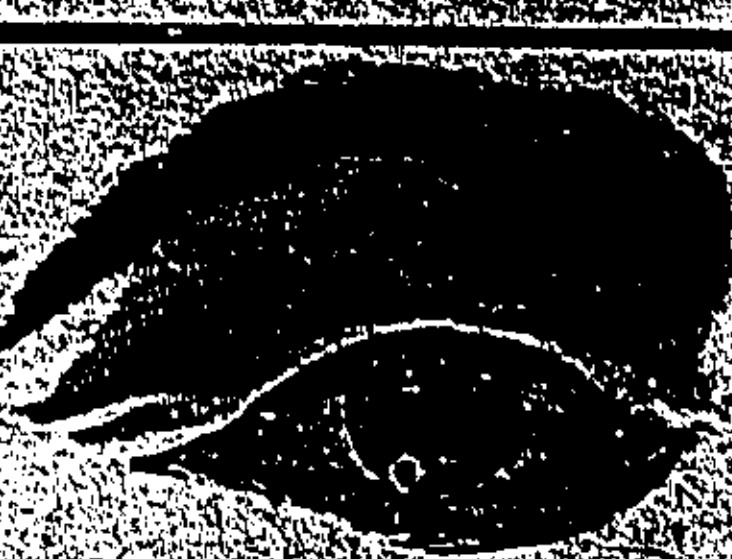
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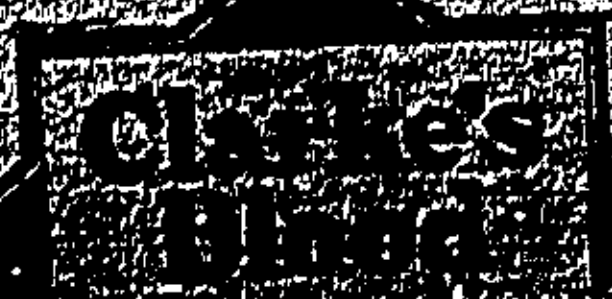
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Birthday of Prince Henry, 3rd Son of King George and Queen Mary.
Palm Sunday.
9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao.
MEMOS FOR MONDAY.
9.15 p.m.—"The Quaker Girl" by Handmann Opera Co. at Theatre Royal.
7.55 p.m.—12.34 a.m.—Partial Eclipse of the Moon.
General Memoranda.
TUESDAY, April 2—
4.05 a.m.—Full Moon.
Noon—Entries close H.K. Volunteer Reserves Rifle Meeting.
5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital.
5.45 p.m.—Inspection of Volunteer Reserves.
WEDNESDAY, April 3—
7 p.m.—Entries close for First Gymkhana Meeting.
FRIDAY, April 5—
Good Friday. Public Holiday.
10.30 a.m.—H.K. Vol. Reserves Rifle Meeting at King's Park Range.
SATURDAY, April 6—
2.30 p.m.—K.O.Y.L.L. Race Meeting at Happy Valley.
SUNDAY, April 7—
Easter Day.
MONDAY, April 8—
Bank Holiday.
TUESDAY, April 9—
3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Lands at P.V.D.
WEDNESDAY, April 10—
6 p.m.—Entries close for V.R.C. Sports.
SATURDAY, April 13—
3.30 p.m.—First Gymkhana Meeting at Happy Valley.
V.R.U. Boxing Tournament.

The China Mail.
HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1912.
"ELIJAH" AS A MUSIC
DRAMA.

LIVERPOOL has just witnessed a spectacle which would have made our grandfathers rub their eyes and wonder if the end of the world was approaching. One of the most sacred of all the conservative traditions of English life is that oratorio can only be given in the form consecrated by immemorial usage. Thus we have grown accustomed to have the music sung by ladies and gentlemen attired in the evening dress of the period, with the chorus grouped behind them, similarly costumed, and with the stage, or rather platform, absolutely bare, devoid of the least suggestion of theatrical scenery, costumes, or appointments. The hearer, has to supply all these from his imagination, and thus, in the huge majority of cases, the effect has been very unreal, and except to passionate lovers of oratorio, unsatisfactory. It is sixty-six years since "Elijah" was given to the world, but it has remained for the Moody Manners company in the present year of grace to throw tradition to the wind concerning it, and give the famous oratorio in a manner which has been called "theatrical."

The innovation, though startling, has justified itself. It is a new era in the history of the oratorio, and it is a new era in the history of the oratorio.

by the change in the form of presentation, but rather gains in its artistic value. Says the writer: "It is a remarkable testimony to the inherent expressive qualities of Mendelssohn's music and to the dramatic shape in which he cast it, that it requires no alteration for the purposes of the stage, and no curtailment of its distinctive features to make it coherent in dramatic form. The transference of the oratorio to the stage is entirely in accord with the trend of the present day. The tendency of modern oratorio writing is in the sacred music-drama. MENDELSSOHN'S music contains qualities suggestive of the actuality of the stage. Now with with the aid of the resources of the theatre "Elijah" takes its place side by side with the most modern of music-dramas. Its musical phraseology may be more limited, but the dramatic import underlying it becomes perfectly clear. In its stage version this well-known oratorio is likely to take a new lease of life, and so remain a permanent record of the composer's dramatic instincts."

Admirable restraint, we learn, was exercised by the actors, and no applause was allowed till the final curtain. Those familiar with the oratorio will naturally be curious to know what is done in placing it on the stage as a music-drama and we therefore quote rather fully—

The opening recitative giving the prophecy is retained, the curtain rising on the well-known introductory chords. The overture descriptive of the three years' famine is played while the stage remains empty, but as the closing bars are reached the people rush on to the scene with their prayer for help. The numbers of the oratorio are then given in regular sequence to the close of "Yet doth the Lord." A few bars of introduced music from MENDELSSOHN'S other writings prepare the way for the Angel's injunction to Elijah, the singer not being seen. After the double quartet sung by the Followers of Elijah the scene closes with the recitative of the Angel "Now Cherish the Brook." The next scene is that of the Widow's Cottage at Zaphanath, of which the outside is shown, with the dying child dimly visible in the interior. The Widow's dialogue with Elijah is carried on outside the cottage, and for the laying on of hands Elijah goes into the interior. The action is wholly discreet, and contains nothing offensive. At the close Elijah kneels in prayer outside the cottage while the invisible chorus sings "Blessed are the Men" with singularly beautiful and impressive effect.

The scene outside the Temple of Baal on Mount Carmel forms the second act. The altars are shown and the sacrificial offering is indicated. The scene of Obadiah's conversation becomes exceedingly graphic with the aid of gesture and facial expression, and the famous Baal choruses are augmented in their appeal. The descent of fire is shown and the seizure of the prophets of Baal represented. In this situation "Is not His word" becomes wonderfully impressive. The warning "Woe unto them" is sung by one of Elijah's followers, and the sequential scene of Elijah's prayer for rain, the scene with the Youth, and the coming of the rain are vividly portrayed. The grateful utterance of the People in "Thanks be to God" brings the act to a close in a legitimate fashion, that seems to indicate that Mendelssohn had the stage in his mind when he composed the music.

The Third Act opens with the same scene. The Widow addresses her exhortation, "Hear, ye Israel, to the People seated round her, and at its close they sing "Be not afraid." Jebel then makes her entrance, and carries out an introduced scene, which leads up to the original scene. The scene closes with Obadiah's warning to Elijah of Jezebel's animosity. The last scene takes place in the Wilderness of Beersheba. Elijah is discovered alone and exhausted, and the situation gives all possible point to "It is enough." The followers and his lying asleep beneath the juniper tree, and after Obadiah's redemptive, the trio "Life time eyes" is sung by three of the people. At the close of "How wasteful, over Israel," the voice of the Angel is heard, directing the Prophet to Mount Haleb, and after Elijah's prayer for manifestation, one of the People sings "The song of hope and consolation." "O God, in the Lord, with very beautiful effect. The sequence of the numbers is preserved from the point of view of dramatic effect.

Reverend Mr. Harrison, for over thirty years a Congressman from Philadelphia, has just died.

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PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
It is notified in the Hongkong General Gazette that the following public and general holidays will be observed: Government holidays—Public Holiday: Empire Day, 22nd May; General Holiday: Whil Monday, 27th May; King's Birthday, Monday, 3rd June; Monday, 5th August; Monday, 14th October; Monday, 11th November; Christmas Day—Wednesday, 25th December; Thursday, 26th December; Wednesday, 1st January, 1913; Thursday, 2nd January, 1913. The holiday on January 2nd will be held provided the Chinese adopt the Gregorian Calendar.

NEWS OF THE DAY
Hongkong has been declared an infected port by the Government of Bengal.

Incoming vessels tell of very thick fog along the coast, and several were late in arriving in consequence.

Tenders are being invited for the construction of a service reservoir and two filter beds for the Shaikwan Water Works.

Capt. P. Goings, the local Secretary, kindly sends us the quarterly report of the Mercantile Marine Service Association, which is full of interesting matter for shipping people.

The Christian Union Meeting on Monday, the 1st April, will be held at Union Church Hall. The meeting begins at 6.30 p.m. and will be conducted by Mr. E. T. Williams.

The government notification of October 13th, 1910, appointing the Government Hospital at Kennedy Town to be a leper asylum for the segregation and treatment of lepers has been rescinded.

The Methodists of the Philippines desire to have Bishop Oldham residing permanently in Manila. They urge that the Philippines should have a separate jurisdiction and not be administered jointly with Malaya.

A Legislative Council has been inaugurated in Borneo, the ceremony being performed by Sir West Ridgeway. The Council consists of six Official Members and four Unofficial Members, including representatives from the East and West Coasts, planters, the general community and the Chinese.

This morning the prizes won in the South China Rifle Competition, which took place from March 16th to the 23rd, were distributed by Major-General C. A. Anderson, C.B., at the Volunteer headquarters. The list of prize winners will appear in Monday's China Mail.

An order made by the Officer Administering the Government provides that the provisions of the Liquor Consolidation Ordinance prohibiting the sale of liquor upon licensed premises except between the hours of 8 a.m. and midnight shall not apply to the business carried on under a Chinese restaurant licence.

The letting of the two storied building formerly occupied by the Land Office, adjoining the old Supreme Court, containing an area of about 3,170 square feet, is to be submitted to public auction on Wednesday next at the Public Works Department. The upset Crown rent is \$150 per month, and the building will be let up to June 30th, 1913.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL
Mr. A. W. Harris, Commissioner of Customs, goes home on leave early in April.

Mr. Henry Harrison Bingham, for over thirty years a Congressman from Philadelphia, has just died.

Mr. J. C. Wilson, Secretary of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, has been appointed to the post of General Manager of the Chinese Bank.

Mr. H. H. B. Smith, who has been in Hongkong for some time, has been appointed to the post of General Manager of the Chinese Bank.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT
FUTURE OF THE COMPANY
AGREEMENT WITH THE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE

In view of the rather startling criticism levelled against the management of the Green Island Cement Company by the specially-appointed Committee of Investigation, mutual interest was manifested in the 23rd ordinary general meeting of the Company, held this morning at the offices of the General Managers (Messrs. Shaw, Thomas and Co.). There was a "crowded attendance of shareholders," but in consequence of an agreement come to between the Committee and the General Managers, the proceedings were merely of the formal order observed at Company meetings, save that an amendment proposed by Hon. Mr. Pollock was agreed to and the report correspondingly modified.

Mr. C. A. Jones occupied the chair, and he was supported by Sir Paul Chater, Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross and Dr. J. W. Noble (Consulting Committee). There were also present—Bishop Bannister, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, R.C., Hon. Mr. E. Osborne, W. E. Van Epps, Capt. Watson, Captain Wakefield, Cordiero, A. H. M. de Silva, O. C. Arnold, J. Gould, H. Scott, J. W. Kew, Mr. A. Figueiredo, A. J. D'Almeida, U. C. Galimieri, R. M. Smith, L. E. Gattorno, C. Kline, F. Henderson, A. Keating, H. J. Godge, D. E. Moss, J. Manners, R. H. Hancock, W. J. Worcester, R. O. Edwards, J. Scott Harrison, Fung Shun Wan, Chan Yat Shan, O. C. da Rosa, E. E. Ellis, A. S. Ellis, A. E. G. J. Bunje, J. W. Bolles, G. Hogg, A. H. Harris, P. N. M. de Silva, Y. F. Soares, T. Ramsay, F. B. L. Bowley, Dr. Sanders, S. H. Michael, O. P. Ellis, S. Michael, W. J. Carroll, E. D. Carroll, E. D. Haskell, H. P. Bridger, G. C. Noxon, D. Wood, G. C. Wilson, F. Matland, T. W. Robertson, A. H. Milroy, H. Percy Smith, H. Seth, A. H. Ough, C. Brown, J. M. C. Basso, D. Gow, H. C. R. Hancock, E. M. Raymond, A. A. Alves, J. A. Young, W. E. Clarke, A. Ritchie, R. Baker, S. B. Perry, Tong Lai Chuen, T. Brayfield, R. Packman, Chan Ko, Ng Chow Fong, M. Chan, Chan Shue On, Lau Yai Pau, Ho King Sing, Tong Lai Chan, Ho Wing, Ho Kwong, and Lo Yik Topp, with Mr. A. L. Shields (secretary).

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—Before proceeding to the ordinary business of the day, gentlemen, I have an announcement to make, and it is that after considerable discussion and interchange of views it has been arranged between the members of the late Investigating Committee and the General Managers, subject to your approval on a subsequent occasion, that the conduct of the affairs of the Company shall be subjected to some modification. A Board of Directors will be elected at an early date, with and under whom the General Managers will perform their functions. The remuneration of the General Managers will be reduced and be made contingent mainly upon the well-doing of the Company, and some of the recommendations of the Committee as to accounts and auditors will be, as far as practicable, carried out. The main points of the understanding are agreed and the details will be put before you at a later date and it is not intended to go into these matters now. (Heard, hear.) It is thought that the new arrangements will be found pleasing to many shareholders who were disturbed in their minds after the misfortunes of the year before.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH
The Chairman continued:—I will now proceed to the regular business of to-day. As usual, with your permission, we will take the report and accounts, with auditors' report attached, as read. As the different works of the Company nothing very remarkable has occurred during the year. In the spring Hak Ua worked half time only owing to the slackness of demand, but as the year wore on the output was gradually increased until in August and September everything was going at its fullest power, and a market was found at covering rates for all the cement until the end of the year and later in February this year when the purpose of selling some of the Ashberg stock was closed. These we shall expect to sell again within a month or two. Although in these disturbed times we had not expected to make any considerable profit of the work, about 10 per cent.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Continued.)

THE COAL STRIKE.

MEN ADVISED TO RESUME.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, March 29.

The miners' leaders are now in their districts, impressing the importance of the concessions gained, and advising the men to return to work, pointing out that a bare majority in the ballot is sufficient to end the struggle.

FURTHER RIOTING.

Attempts to send down a few men at Marlborough, Great Wyrley, and Walsall yesterday resulted in some rioting and stoning of the police.

The miners at Chirk and Littleton were working quietly yesterday in the presence of troops.

STRIKE PAY FIGURES.

The miners' unions have disbursed £1,043,250 in strike pay. The balance remaining is nominally £250,900, mostly belonging to Durham, Yorkshire, Derbyshire and Nottingham.

The funds in North Wales, Warwickshire, Cumberland, Somerset and Bristol are exhausted, and the funds of other unions are vanishing.

Numbers of collieries were opened yesterday, but only a few men offered to resume. Contrary to expectation, 10,000 Warwickshire miners did not resume.

AUSTRALIA'S REMEMBRANCE.

A Sydney telegram states that Premier McGowan has telegraphed, authorising the Agent-General in London to expend £1,000 to provide 50,000 meals for sufferers from the coal strike.

GLAD NEWS.

Later.
Everywhere there are signs of resumption of work, even in South Wales and in Scotland.

Mr. Hartshorn, speaking at Maccles, said resumption would not mean surrender, but would be merely a test of what they had won.

Other leaders recommend the Act being given a trial.

THE END IN SIGHT.

London, March 30.

The Secretary of the Miners Federation advises the men to ballot for resumption of work.

The Scottish coalowners have conferred and arranged for the opening of the pits.

GRAND NATIONAL.

WIN FOR JERRY M.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, March 29.

The Grand National Steeplechase run at Liverpool to-day, over a distance of 4 miles 556 yds, resulted as follows:—

Jerry M. (Piggott) 1
Bloodstone (F. Lyall) 2
Axe Pin (Anthony) 3

There were twenty-four starters, and the winner got home with six lengths to spare, while four lengths separated Bloodstone and Axe Pin.

On the field settling down, Bathnally led but fell at the third fence. Bloodstone took the lead at Decher's Brook with Jerry M. well up. Two fences from home Jerry M. went to the front and held the advantage to the finish. Only seven finished.

The betting was—4 to 1 agst. the winner, 40 to 1 agst. Bloodstone and 20 to 1 agst. Axe Pin.

For a place the betting was 5 to 4 agst. Jerry M., the others proportionate.
(Note.—The result last year was—
Glasgow, a, 10-3; (Mr. J. R. Anthony) 1
Bathnally, 6 y. 11 (R. Chadwick) 2
Shady Girl, a, 10-5 (G. Clancy) 3
Jerry M. did not run.
The winners for the five previous years were—
Aedric Silver, a, 10-9; Brown, a, 10-1; Ruby, a, 10-5; Loutour III, 10-11; Jenkinson, a, 10-5.
This year's winner is a bay gelding by Walsgate-Lumary. His achievements during the 1909-1911 season were—Second in the Queen Chase at Newbury, first in the Liverpool Trial Chase at Sandown Park and second in the Grand National to Jenkinson.—En. C.M.)

GERMANY AND CANADA.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, March 29.

Reuter's agent at Ottawa states that Germany has again approached Canada with a view to reciprocity arrangements.

NEW ZEALAND TRAMWAY STRIKE.

UNION FINED £100.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, March 29.

A telegram from Wellington states that the Tramwaymen's Union has been fined £100 for a breach of the Arbitration Act in refusing the recent strike.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Continued.)

UPHEAVAL AT NANKING.

EXTENSIVE LOOTING.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, March 30.

A telegram from Reuter's correspondent at Peking states that telegrams received from Nanking report serious disorders.

The soldiers are looting on an extensive scale.

WOMEN'S VOTES.

CONCILIATION BILL REJECTED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, March 29.

The Conciliation (votes for women) Bill was rejected by 222 votes to 203. This result was a surprise and was received with tremendous enthusiasm. The House of Commons having passed the second reading of similar Bills by large majorities.

The minority included Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Burrell, Sir Edward Grey, Messrs. John Burns, Runciman, Balfour, Bonar Law, Lytton, Wyndham, and the Labourites.

The majority included Messrs. Asquith, Harcourt, Hobbhouse, McKenna, Burton, Churchill, Samuel, Austen Chamberlain, Smith, and the Nationalist party. The action of the Nationalists was due to a desire to save the Government a week of Parliamentary time.

THE FUTURE.

The Suffragette Societies are staggered at the defeat of the Bill, which they say will not allow further agitation in the slightest.

A DEMONSTRATION.

The militant suffragists held a demonstration at the Albert Hall, those present including Mr. and Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, who were released yesterday on a £7,000 bail.

A message was read from Miss Christabel Pankhurst, written by her on the 10th inst., in which she defied the Government.

A record collection of £10,000 (?) was taken.

ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.

HONOUR FOR MR. CECIL CLEMENTI.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, March 29.

The Royal Geographical Society has awarded the 'Founder' medal to Mr. Charles Montagu Doughty, a well-known author on travel; the Patrons' medal to Mr. Douglas Carruthers, a traveller in Mongolia, Turkestan and Rawenzori; the Victoria Research medal to Mr. George Darwin; the Murchison Bequest to Capt. Macfie, Uganda Topographical Survey; the Gill Memorial to Captain Bailey, for his travels in Brahmaputra and on the Yangtze; the Backe Bequest to Sir William Wallace, Administrator of Rhodesia, and the Cuthbert Peak Grant to Mr. Cecil Clementi, of Hongkong.

SOCIALIST MENACE.

STRAIGHT TALK AT BRISBANE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, March 29.

Reuter's agent at Brisbane wires that the State Premier, addressing a meeting announcing the Government policy, reviewed the recent strike and denounced the Strike Committee's record as one of mingled cruelty, insolence and stupidity. The Government had, he said, unsuccessfully appealed to the Commonwealth, but the police and law-abiding citizens had restored order and security. He emphasized the point that a number of Labour members were concerned in the strike and the Governor had granted a Disolution in order to give the people a chance of passing judgment thereon. He appealed for a strong Liberal majority to save Queensland from a deadly syndicalism.

RAMBLING NOTES.

Built the Hongkong A.D.C. enter the Bandstand Opera Company. Hongkong can not complain of the dearth of public entertainments these days, not of the high standard of excellence which is maintained. "The Gondoliers" will remain in the memories of most of us as one of the best things which the A.D.C. have put on, and I hope that the success achieved will encourage them into giving us something in similar vein next season.

The long list of musical plays which are offered for the delectation of theatre-goers for the next three weeks or so include several old favourites, but there are also some new pieces which should attract considerable attention, such as "The Mousie," "The Quaker Girl," "The Count of Luxembourg," etc. Lovers of musical comedy will be well-served indeed.

The return cricket match between the Press and the Police, looked at one time as if it would be an easy thing for the winners of the pot. But then, as one of them remarked, as he left the ground, "Sometimes a page gets pried just as you go to press." It was the extreme tail end of the police team who "pried" the Pressmen's hopes on Wednesday.

The weather is warming up, and unfortunately the humidity of the atmosphere is increasing too, so that lighter clothing is again an imperative necessity for the Hongkong resident. Well, we have had a fairly long spell of cold weather, so we should not grumble, though of course if we didn't grumble we should not be human, should we?

I always read with the deepest interest the speeches of Hongkongites in the Homeland, especially when they have any reference to life in our little Colony. Hence it was with marked avidity that I read into the full account of Archdeacon Barnett's address to the Royal Colonial Institute on the attractive theme of "Hongkong's Part in China's Reform." It was certainly an able statement of the case, permeated with marked Imperial sentiments, but it is clear that the reverend gentleman was, in the exuberance of his enthusiasm, carried a little off his feet tempted to paint the pictures rather over-ly, he succumbed, I'm afraid.

Moreover, he didn't tell all he knew that's quite plain. In his desire to illustrate the moral effects of British justice on the Chinese, the Archdeacon referred to the surprised satisfaction of the native Press when the law in Hongkong sends to the gallows the white man who murders a Chinese just as it does a Chinese who murders another. But he did not continue the analogy when he came on to the offence of gambling, to which he simply made a passing reference among "other vices made punishable by law." Why, I wonder, did not the worthy lecturer let his hearers into the secret that Europeans enjoy an licensed freedom in this regard whereas poor John Chinaman, with his inborn love of a little "futtler," is harassed out of his life by the authorities in the latter's determination to do him out of his often quite harmless bit of fun? Perhaps he forgot!

I was surprised to learn from the Archdeacon's remarks that "even the coolie is compelled to carry home the live fowl for his master's dinner in a basket and not with head trailing groundward." Ours has indeed to go abroad for news. My observations lead me to the conclusion that if there is any regulation on this point it is honoured more in the breach than otherwise. And even those unhappy chickens we so often see lying in a basket sandwiched in between the raw beef and vegetables bought at the market appear to me to have none too bright a time of it.

Another eloquent passage in the report before me says:—"Here, the lecturer referred to the completion of the new Law Courts in Hongkong." Ah! wouldn't I give something to know what he said on this burning topic? What a chance the Archdeacon had of illustrating the colony with which public buildings are erected in this corner of the Empire! As he exhibited a slide of the structure, one can imagine him proudly exclaiming with a beaming smile and a sweep of the hand:—"All this built in less than twelve years!" Only one other point in the speech struck my eye—a statement by the Archdeacon of how a Chinese trader once walked back over a mile to return a dollar the speaker had paid him in mistake! In the words of the poet, "I don't fink."

The coal strike absorbs all the thoughts of England and a goodly portion of Europe to-day, judging by the papers brought out by the mail and the cables sent by Reuter. The distress at home must be very terrible by now and the dislocation of trade complete. This strike has been more terrible in its effects than a big war, and I fear that it will be years before the old country recovers from the knock-out blow it has received. Kruger's "war-staggering humanity" is nothing in comparison.

That must have been a funny sight when the House of Commons witnessed on Thursday Mr. Asquith, the Premier, sitting opposite the female suffrage bill, and his Foreign Secretary, Sir Edward Grey, warmly supporting the cause of the "striking sisterhood." By the way what has become of the merry Christabel? She seems to be as difficult to catch as the elusive Empress.

There is some talk of a new syndicalist movement in the United States, and it is said that the American people are beginning to feel the pinch of the new movement.

at times, only of course, to seek shade from the heat of the sun. "Dogs" of the "Reverend" have been seen in the streets, but they are not the dogs of the "Reverend" who are seen in the streets of Hongkong. There are a few which have been seen in the streets of Hongkong.

Some years ago I read in the Spectator of an excellent pun made by a gentleman after hearing a fine performance by the celebrated player, Lumsden. "It would be a clever dog that could link that bigger."

When the poet Coleridge was calling one day on Campbell, the author of "Hohenlinden," he fell down the stairs, and the poet, inquiring, "Who's there?" replied, "Tis I, Sir (his), rolling rapidly."

It was at a rehearsal of amateurs for "Haddon Hall." One of the chief men of the party was a gentleman who had been a volunteer for the past few years. He knew, he said, the difficulty was not of the costume, but of the scenery. "The scenery," he said, "but the scenery was the difficulty." "The scenery," he said, "but the scenery was the difficulty."

In a certain town in the North of England there were two doctors, A and B. Some years ago, during a severe frost, Dr. A. being unable to use his dog-cart, engaged up a sleigh and started off to his house. A patient whom he had been unable to see on his way through the snow, he met Dr. B. the rival doctor, who shouted out, "What are you up to, A?" "Trying my hand at sleighing," replied A. "That's nothing new with you," said B. "You've been at it ever since you came here."

Some Whistlers' Club, several years ago, David Christie Murray was relating anecdotes of a loitering tour in Canada, from which he had just returned. He was constantly interrupted by a man who wanted to know all about the working of the then new Canadian Copyright Act. He asked eventually, "Why is the working of the Act so quiet?" The Minister for Agriculture, Murray flashed out: "Well, Mr. M., it is not, after all, largely a question of serials (cereal)!"

RAMBLER.

"THE MOUSIE."

Crowded House Expresses Great Delight.

It was a junior Attache to the Japanese Embassy in London who in that spirit of excessive and well-meaning politeness which characterises his nation when asked for an opinion by a foreign friend, declared that "The Mousie" was the most true reflection of Japanese life ever put upon the Western stage. Well, if "The Mousie" can be taken as a true reflection, of London suburban life, that opinion is sound. But be that as it may, as a musical comedy pure and simple, "The Mousie" is very much above the standard of its class. Its underlying motif, the unselfish sacrifice of a woman to save a loved one from "ignominy" and shame without any thought of recompense, or her motives even being understood, is certainly Japanese, however, but the manner of telling the story is of the West. Western. O Hans-san (Miss Marjorie Tempest) is a singer in the temple at Tsumura, and of two rival lovers who profess Captain Fujiwara (Mr. Wm. Farmer). To ruin Fujiwara, Colonel Yamaki (Mr. E. Granley) foists on him a gambling obligation to a considerable amount. Knowing that this would mean ruin to Fujiwara, O Hans-san redeems the debt by selling herself to a tea-house as a geisha. She sends the receipt for the debt surreptitiously to Fujiwara and he proceeds to the Russian war. When the war is over he and his comrades in arms return to find the first-while temple singer the most popular geisha in Tokyo. Fujiwara is astounded, not knowing the circumstances, but the intervention of Miss Ko-san, (Miss Violet Fiamponi) daughter of General Okubo, who has some very advanced ideas on the marriage question, eventually brings the lovers together again and all ends well.

Miss Marjorie Tempest, the fortunate possessor of a splendid voice, made a most successful first appearance in Hongkong. She played very sympathetically, sang charmingly, and won almost at a bound a warm place in the hearts of her audience. She was admirably played up to by Mr. Farmer. Their pathetic parting before the war, the undeserved scorn which heaped upon her on his return while deluded by false stories, and her cheerful acceptance of the undeserved treatment, were all finely portrayed. Several of their lyrics had to be repeated. Mr. Granley, as the villain, made an excellent Colonel Yamaki. The lighter side of the comedy was in excellent hands. The melancholy-featured but extremely mirth-provoking Mr. Frith as Bashimoto, the tea-housekeeper, (his song "Beauty is not every thing" was simply immense), Mr. Bobby Roberts as Suki, the fortune-teller, (he also had a splendid song, which he sang upon her on his return while deluded by false stories), and Miss Kitty Barlow as Miss Ko-san, the mistress of the geisha, provided uproarious merriment whenever they were on the stage. All their songs and dances were encased, as they deserved to be, in the scenery, as is usual with a Hongkong production, and very effective and charming. The effect most clearly managed. But it would be more in accordance with real life, if the geisha and the tea-house girls' undergarments were red and not the green and other colours now worn. Tanaka, the journalist, should also have a more serious part, preferably black, while the "Mousie" style of clothing, with its fringe around the bottom of the top garment will scarcely pass muster with purists. Care should also be taken to see that the kimono of the ladies are folded right. One character wore her robe the wrong way round, which is only customary when one has passed out of existence and the joy of sorrow. If this world is all of further account, we do not wish to be capricious, for the musical comedy gave us abundant pleasure last evening, and these little points of criticism are offered with all deference to the management. All the same, it is a pity that the scenery and the costumes are not better. The scenery is very good, but the costumes are not so good. The scenery is very good, but the costumes are not so good.

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MAIMUN	Capt. A. H. Stewart	MONDAY, 1st Apr., at 1 P.M.
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